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H.K. WAR CRIMINALS Jap. Commanders' Arrest Ordered

TOKYO, JAN. 18.—THE JAPANESE GENERAL WHO DIRECTED THE INVASION OF HONG KONG, LIEUT. GEN. TAKASHI SAKAI, AND THE FORMER MILITARY GOVERNOR OF THE COLONY DURING THE OCCUPATION, LIEUT. GEN. RYUNOSUKE ISOGAI, WERE INCLUDED TODAY ON A LIST OF 116 WAR CRIMINALS WHOSE ARRESTS WERE ORDERED BY ALLIED HEADQUARTERS.

THE LIST INCLUDED SEVEN GENERALS AND FIFTEEN LIEUTENANTS, AND IT INCLUDES THE NAMES OF THE JAPANESE COMMANDERS WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATHS OF THE BRITISH AND AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS AND CIVILIANS IN HONG KONG.

Control Of Arms Urged

LONDON, JAN. 18.—UNITED NATIONS CONTROL OF THE ENTERED WORLD ARMS AND AMMUNITION, INCLUDING ATOMIC BOMB FACTORIES, WAS PROPOSED TO THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY YESTERDAY BY FOREIGN MINISTER JAN G. MASARYK OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

Masaryk told the assembly that the arms industry, "together with the latest of the inventions, should be placed under the control of the United Nations" to safeguard humanity.

He said that when the arms industry is placed under the control of the United Nations, it will be possible to prevent the arms race and to ensure that arms are used only for the defence of the weak against the strong.

U.N.O. Worries

LONDON, JAN. 18.—Serious concern has been expressed at the U.N.O. Conference over Iran's announced intention to carry its complaints against Russia to the Security Council. The Soviet delegates are keeping their view to themselves.

Should Iran press the case while the Security Council is still being organized, observers point out the following might result:

Unity among Russia, America and Britain might be upset if the Security Council is compelled to make a decision critical to Russia. Small nations, faith in the Organization will be shaken if the Security Council ruled against Iran while the U.N.O. might lose its prestige if the Security Council arrive at no decision for a long time.

Associated Press.

U.N.O. INADEQUATE?

Peoria, Illinois, Jan. 18.—Owen J. Roberts, retired United States Supreme Court Justice, today declared the United Nations Organization was "inadequate" in keeping world peace.

Roberts urged the immediate federation of two or more nations as a demonstration "of the inestimable advantage of such a union."

He asserted the U.N.O. was inadequate in keeping world peace because it was formed of member nations instead of individual citizens and also because the Security Council "cannot remove the causes of dissension but can only repress acts resulting from such dissension."

Associated Press.

SEPOY'S ESCAPE

Batavia, Jan. 18.—One of the three Indian soldiers kidnapped in Batavia last Saturday escaped to-day from a native village east of Batavia, Dutch sources reported.

A quantity of arms and ammunition were later discovered in the hospital where the Indonesians had kept this soldier.

Seven men were arrested during a search for a group of terrorists in the centre of Batavia.

A patrol operating near Sourabaya was forced to withdraw after being attacked by about 200 Indonesians.

Reuter.

Want To Be Bobbies

LONDON, JAN. 18.—Applications from Servicemen in all parts of the world are among those received in response to the Metropolitan Police recruiting campaign, which was opened recently. Those accepted will be released under Class B.

Two Selection Boards have sat this year and each considered between 80 and 90 applicants. Suitable men take a three months' course of training at the Police Training School. After the course each recruit serves for two years as a uniformed constable.

The man's special gifts may be judged after that period and selection is made for the specialized branches, such as Criminal Investigation, Mounted Police, Thames River Police and Traffic Police.

Reuter.

JET PLANE RECORD

Los Angeles, Jan. 18.—A United States Army Lockheed P-38 jet-propelled airplane today flew from San Francisco to Los Angeles in 42 minutes and 33 seconds, setting a new unofficial flight record.

The distance covered was 301 miles and the average speed was 510 miles per hour.

Associated Press.

Transport Hits Mine

LONDON, JAN. 18.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Singapore said that the ship "Holland" (Trinidad) carrying 2,000 Indian troops, was hit by a mine 30 miles from Singapore.

The ship is believed to be in danger of sinking. Tugs and landing craft launched to the rescue of the disaster.

Associated Press.

Miles Long Cemetery For P.W.'s

WARSAW, JAN. 18.—MORE THAN 80,000 AMERICAN, GREEK, BRITISH, RUSSIAN, POLISH, FRENCH, AND NEW ZEALAND PRISONERS OF WAR WERE KILLED OR DIED FROM STARVATION IN THE NAZI CONCENTRATION CAMP AT LAMBINOWICE, NEAR NEMMODLIN IN LOWER SILESIA, AN OFFICIAL COMMISSION REPORTED ON JAN. 16.

Authorities said that they found a cemetery many miles long with steep ditches with many layers of bodies.

A Polish press agency said that 40,000 bodies were unearthed in one grave.

Associated Press.

First Soviet Speech Before U.N.O.

LONDON, JAN. 18.—MAKING THE FIRST MAJOR RUSSIAN SPEECH BEFORE THE U.N.O. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ANDREI GROMYKO, ACTING CHIEF OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION, IGNORED THE IRANIAN QUESTION TO-DAY.

Gromyko told the Assembly the future of world peace depends on unity among the big powers. He warned against any efforts to cut down their authority by revising the U.N.O. charter.

He also strongly supported the big power plans to give the Security Council control of atomic energy problems.

"All nations big and small are interested in securing a stable peace and preventing a repetition of new aggression," he said.

"In this, their interests completely coincide. Endeavours to counterpoise big States with small ones cannot be regarded with sympathy in the U.N.O. for this organization is a body to protect all peace-loving States big and small."

Gromyko said any move to apply League of Nations methods to the U.N.O. "would cause nothing but harm."

"Voices are being heard," he said, "that the U.N.O. charter drawn in San Francisco is 'obsolete and needs revision.' Gromyko declared: 'Such allegations are dangerous and under certain conditions may lead to serious consequences.'"

Associated Press.

Seeds For China

Washington, Jan. 18.—The U.N.R.R.A. is shipping many seeds to China as part of the agency's efforts to make that nation self-sustaining.

Roy Hendrickson, deputy director General of the U.N.R.R.A. directing the China programme, said 150 tons were shipped immediately to China after the surrender of Japan, with continuing shipments since, principally vegetable cotton seeds.

Associated Press.

SAVING TIME

Sydney, Jan. 18.—The Australian fighter-pilot ace, Captain Oliver Caldwell, charged with making illegal sales at Morotai Island to American soldiers of military supplies, today pleaded guilty "in order to save time."

The sentence was not immediately pronounced.

Associated Press.

Cadet Force The Army's Latest

LONDON, JAN. 18.—The Army Council has been authorized by the Government to maintain an Army Cadet Force as an efficient organization.

In a letter to all commands, announcing the decision, the Army Council said that the object of the force was to provide a means of furthering this object and for their part, they intend to support the interests of the army cadets by every means at their disposal.

The Army Council intend to blend military and social activities in such a way as to provide a general introduction into military training, while at the same time meeting the demands of youth training in its widest sense.

NEW BLOOD

For these reasons, the emphasis in the training of army cadets will be upon fostering and developing the qualities of leadership rather than upon securing the attainment of an advanced standard of individual military skill, which must in general be acquired after joining the regular army or its auxiliary arms.

The Council feel that the opportunity should not be lost of infusing new blood and vigour into the movement and of obtaining as officers and warrant officers and non-commissioned officers who have themselves had experience of war and witnessed at first hand the qualities required of junior leaders in the field.

They say that they have no doubt many such men who will desire to give public service when they have returned to civilian life.

Reuter.

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Most Lawless City In The World

Chungking, Jan. 18.—Mukden, the Sarajevo of World War II, is today one of the most lawless cities in the world, after 14 years of Japanese occupation.

An eye-witness report of Mukden stated: "The streets of Mukden are one big hustle and bustle, and 2,000,000 people impatiently prepare for the arrival of Nationalist troops. A distinguishing feature of the crowded cosmopolitan city is its traffic regulations—left hand drive."

"A few trams have resumed running. The temperature is five degrees below zero."

"Mukden has one of the largest arsenals in the world. While it was an international known armament producing plant 14 years ago, the Japanese developed and expanded it. But today, it is just an empty shell. All the heavy machinery has disappeared. There is not a rifle left in the place. Hoofbeats have got them."

"Blood founts are rampant. On the day the Mayor arrived the police discovered more than 30 revolvers on passengers in one tram. Mayor Tung Wen-chi intends to take an immediate census of the city."

"No smoke issues from the thousands of factory chimneys nowadays—Mukden and its factories are empty."

Reuter.

ANTI-BRITISH FEELING AMONG DUTCH IN JAVA

The Weather

To-day's forecast:—Fair to fine, fresh easterly winds. Outlook little change.

Yesterday's temperature:—Maximum—67 degrees at 1:30 p.m. Minimum—50 degrees at 7 a.m.

BATAVIA, JAN. 18.—THE ACTION BY LT. GEN. SIR PHILIP CHRISTISON, ALLIED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES, TO STEER FRITION BETWEEN THE OCCUPYING TROOPS AND DUTCH RESIDENTS, HAS DRAWN ATTENTION TO THE GROWING DISCONTENT ON THE PART OF THE ORDINARY DUTCH POPULATION WITH THE HANDLING OF THE JAVA SITUATION BY HOLLAND'S ALLIES.

IN A CONFIDENTIAL CIRCULAR TO OFFICERS ABOVE THE RANK OF MAJOR, GENERAL CHRISTISON RECENTLY APPEALED FOR A MORE SYMPATHETIC ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE DUTCH. THE DUTCH AUTHORITIES ARE ALSO DOING THEIR UTMOST TO REDUCE CRITICISM.

Lieutenant-Admiral Helfrich, Commander-in-Chief of all Netherlands forces in the East, before his recent departure to take up the appointment of Commander of the Royal Netherlands Navy, issued an Order of the Day calling for better discipline among the Dutch forces.

The feeling among British troops at their retention overseas, due to the disturbances in Java, is causing a certain amount of discontent, resulting in anti-Dutch criticism, particularly of the undisciplined conduct of the Dutch forces during the disturbances here.

While there has been no open criticism on their part, responsible Dutch quarters admit the existence of anti-British feeling, but say that this is due to a misunderstanding of Britain's position in Java, adding that the British aims are fully understood in high Dutch quarters.

SAFE IN BRITISH HANDS

The discontent seems to arise chiefly from the irritation of the average Dutch citizen recently released from internment, at finding the Dutch virtually powerless in a land they regard as Netherlands territory, and the cars, houses and property that they formerly owned requisitioned for the Allied Administration.

There is also the repeated query: "Why are not the Dutch allowed to take over? Why are not Dutch troops allowed to land?"

Responsible Dutch quarters tend to be more critical of Australia. "Australia is fighting an undeclared war with us," a Dutch naval officer said. "Officially Australia says: 'Blame the labour unions for holding up your ships,' but we cannot deal with labour unions."

It is also alleged that Australian troops in Borneo and elsewhere in the Netherlands East Indies have encouraged anti-Dutch elements, even selling them arms.

There is very little social contact between Dutch and British officers in Batavia, where each frequent their own clubs, though at least 90 per cent. of the women partnering British officers are Dutch, the latter circumstance causing the widespread use of the satiric comment: "Safe in British hands." (This is the wording of the formal telegram which internees are permitted to send relatives immediately after their release).

Reuter.

BRITISH CASUALTIES

Batavia, Jan. 18.—Two vehicles carrying Punjabi troops struck a land mine at a bridge to the south of Sourabaya and seven of the troops became casualties, an official announcement said to-day.

British troops who engaged 50 to 60 Indonesian extremists near Tegal in eastern Java, suffered two killed and one wounded.

Extremists dropped mortar bombs on Gendangan in the same area, causing two casualties, the announcement added.

Extremists also attacked with small arms an artillery line party at Sroeti in eastern Java, wounding three men.

Patrol reports from the areas west and south of Sourabaya indicated that the extremists were becoming more active in these areas.

Reuter.

RED ARMY WARNING

Moscow, Jan. 18.—The Soviet Army newspaper "Red Star" today declared that attempts within the United Nations Organization "to turn little payoffs into political weapons of some great power can have fatal consequences for the cause of peace."

The political observer, I. Yermashov, commenting on the opening of the U.N.O. Assembly wrote that the "old League of Nations in reality became an arena of struggle between the great powers."

Associated Press.

Questions For British Women

LONDON, JAN. 18.—BRITAIN'S GREAT FAMILY CENSUS, DURING WHICH 1,500,000 WOMEN, SOME OF THEM IN SERVICE ABROAD, ARE TO BE QUESTIONED BY THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON POPULATION, STARTS ON MONDAY.

Each woman will receive a form designed to discover how the size of families has changed during the past generation, and whether childlessness is increasing.

Lord Simon, Chairman of the Royal Commission, writes: "At present, it is not known how much childlessness there is, or how many families there are with one, two, three or other numbers of children. These and similar facts are needed urgently to give the Government a sound basis for understanding the population problem and its bearing on the housing programme, family allowances, social insurance and other social welfare measures."

It is a confidential enquiry, addressed to one-tenth of the women of Britain who are, or who have been, married. "There is no question of snooping on family life," the Secretary of the Commission said. Reuter.

Flew Home To Convince Their Wives

Two men of Maj. Gen. Louis Woods' marine unit in North China have been given furlough home to convince their wives they didn't really ask to remain in China.

The general disclosed this after a "cane session" where the men were invited to air their complaints. Woods said at a similar session at Tsingtao the two men showed newspaper clippings from home saying that all marines remaining in North China volunteered for the assignment. Both complained that their wives threatened to divorce them if they liked North China better than their homes.

Woods withheld their names but said both received emergency furloughs.

Associated Press.

60,000 See Hanging

LONDON, JAN. 18.—The Russian war crimes trial at Nikolayev ended with the hanging of seven Germans before a crowd of 65,000 Soviet citizens, the Moscow radio announced to-day. Two Nazi defendants were sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment.

The German defendants, who included Lieut-General Herman Winkler, former Nazi commandant of the Black Sea city of Nikolayev, were accused of killing 105,000 Russians.

Another trial will be opened at Kiev for 15 German army men, including three generals, who are accused of atrocities in the Ukraine.

Associated Press.

GOLD MARKET WEAKENS

Gold opened yesterday morning with buyers predominating and the price again topped the 600 mark, but later the market weakened and at the close it had fallen to \$570 with sellers offering futures at \$555 per ton.

Chinese national currency opened at H.K.\$4.80 to C.N.\$1,000, dropped and regained strength, but towards the close it weakened again to H.K.\$4.70 with sellers for futures offering at \$4.62.

U.S. dollar notes continued at \$15. English pounds were at \$17.65, and Australian pounds had buyers at \$12.60.

OUT OF THE DOLDRUMS

British Industry Making Good Recovery

Jap. Murder Case

San Francisco, Jan. 10. The "Chronicle" strongly endorses the sentiment in favour of the review of the case of Private Joseph Hicawa who is under an Army Court Martial sentence, doomed to death in Japan.

The paper said: "If Private Hicawa was guilty of first degree murder as the charge is adjudged in an American Court, the fact that his victims were obscure Japanese should not operate in his favour.

"But the American people, for whom Hicawa was transported 8,000 miles from his home, owe him every protection he would have received in American Courts. So long as there is any possibility that his sentence was over severe it should be suspended until all doubt is removed."

Associated Press.

Italy's First Catholic Premier Has Big Task

Rome, Jan. 17. Austere, lean faced Alcide de Gasperi, the first Catholic Party Premier in the history of modern Italy, has inherited all the woes that have engulfed three premiers since the Italian armistice. If the 16-day crisis which ended recently revealed anything it was that Italy, politically as well as economically, still is on the high seas.

The 64-year-old leader of the Christian Democrats, the successor of the old Popular Party

Just Caught Napping

Washington, Jan. 18. Representative Murphy, Democrat of Pennsylvania, today said he was not satisfied with Admiral Husband Kimmel's attitude toward the war warning message delivered from Washington on Nov. 27, 1941, ten days before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour.

"Admiral Kimmel called this note watered down and said it did not convey what it should in the way of warning," Murphy told newsmen.

"Yet after he received it he took four war steps," the Congressman said. "Perhaps the truth of the matter is they just did not expect an air attack."

The Committee of Inquiry on Pearl Harbour is expected to finish with Kimmel this week and then turn to Lieutenant General Walter C. Short, Army Commander in Hawaii at the time of the Pearl Harbour raid. Associated Press.

NORDIC COUNTRIES AND U.N.O

London, Jan. 18. A possibility that if the question of admitting Sweden to the United Nations is brought to a vote Norway may ask that Finland, too, be given membership was revealed yesterday by a member of the Norwegian delegation.

The spokesman, who asked anonymity, said Norway was interested in strengthening northern Europe in the Organisation. He said Norway does not want to keep Sweden out of the United Nations Organisation, but feels that, with her current economic strength, she may want to assume leadership of the Scandinavian countries and "we feel the countries that fought the war should have the leadership in making peace."

Associated Press.

SIAM'S SEIZED TERRITORY

Washington, Jan. 18. The United States gave notice on Wednesday that it expects Siam to return to French Indo-China certain territories acquired in 1941 in the course of Japanese aggression.

State Department officials said the United States informed the French, Siamese and British Governments that it does not recognize the validity of the transfer of part of Cambodia province. They said the American view is that territories transferred because of Japanese aggression in Asia should be restored.

Associated Press.

Labour Shortage Main Problem

LONDON, JAN. 16. DEFINITE PROGRESS IS NOW BEING MADE TOWARDS THE RECOVERY OF BRITISH INDUSTRY IN GENERAL. ENGINEERING TRADES HAVE ORDERS ON BOOKS WHICH WILL KEEP THEM OCCUPIED FOR A LONG TIME TO COME. IN THE MOTOR INDUSTRY, PRODUCTION IS ACCELERATING AND IT IS HOPED THAT THE 1946 OUTPUT WILL BE FOR 170,000 PRIVATE CARS, 135,000 TRUCKS AND 12,000 OMNIBUSES.

Various productions including builders' accessories and textile machinery have been held up by lack of labour in iron foundries, but recently the Ministry of Labour has taken the power to direct workers previously employed in metal trades to work in iron foundries. This should ease the position.

In the pottery trades, 45 firms, which closed down compulsorily during the war, have been licensed to re-open. The output

for cotton and rayon yarn is expanding and there has been a limited but satisfactory increase in the numbers employed. In the boot and shoe industry, production and the numbers employed are both improving. Conclusions are that reconversion in Britain is making progress but that there are many difficulties to overcome.

BOTTLENECKS OCCUR. Inevitably, bottlenecks are being discovered in many directions, this being only a different way of saying that progress is uneven. This is inevitable during the earlier stages of the switch-back from war to peace.

For example, a firm making motor-engines may be released from war-work earlier and may be able to secure its labour more easily than a firm making motor-hodies or electrical accessories. If so, there would be a surplus of motor-engines.

Another current difficulty is due to lack of factory space. Early in the war unessential industries had their activities drastically curtailed. Many factories were closed down and taken over by the Government for use as stores. Now that the war is over, it is desirable that these factories be restored to normal production. But if so, what is to be done with stores which they are now warehouses for? Many of these stores consist of instruments, other precision goods, which cannot be dumped in the open-air without suffering irreparable damage.

Yet, at the moment they are occupying valuable factory space which is required for production.

It is not an easy problem.

LABOUR SHORTAGE

But the main shortage today is labour. Here are a few figures which will illustrate its likely severity.

In pre-war days, Britain had a labour force of 19.5 millions. Allowing for casualties and retirement of people who worked during the war, the post-war labour force is not likely to be more than 19,000,000. Of this last total, 2.4 millions will probably be required for the armed forces and munitions industries; 1.5 millions for government services, including staffs needed for health and education services and administration for the control of planning and nationalisation; and 1.5 millions for the building trades. Deducting these last three figures from the estimated total of 19,000,000, there remains a residuum of 15.6 millions.

In pre-war days, 1.4 millions were engaged in direct export industries.

Remembering that the volume of British exports must, in future, be at least 50 per cent over that in pre-war, it looks as if this figure of 1.4 millions must be scaled up to 2,000,000. This means only 11.6 millions will be available for producing and distributing consumers goods and for making plant needed for the re-equipment of home industries.—London Press Service

Manchuria Negotiation

Chungking, Jan. 18. Official Chinese quarters in Chungking today say that negotiations are in progress with a view to deferring still further the withdrawal of the Soviet forces from Manchuria now set for completion by Feb. 8.

Negotiation on other matters, however, are being continued, but with both sides silent on them there is no telling how they are doing. It is generally believed, however, in Chungking, that the Soviet authorities have been trying to extract concessions from the Chinese in the way of joint operation of the mining and electric industries and other enterprises in Manchuria.—Associated Press

Pacific Isle Trusteeship

New York, Jan. 18. The American Association for the United Nations quoted Harold E. Stassen, prominent Republican ex-Navy Captain, as asserting it was "very important" for the United States to quickly propose trusteeship terms on which she would be willing to administer the Pacific Islands.

Stassen was quoted in a statement prepared by the Association Director, Clark Eichelberger, with Stassen's consent.

Asked whether if the United States negotiated trusteeship terms with the U.N.O. Council the veto of any other great power could not be used to prevent the United States from fortifying the islands, Stassen replied: "Yes, that is true. Our original proposal if accepted by the Security Council will then control the administration of the islands. Therefore, we can safeguard our essential security requirements."

A veto could not force a change in the original strategic trusteeship agreements which we enter into. And if the original agreements are intelligently prepared with proper safeguards for our own security needs there is no reason why trusteeship cannot operate successfully throughout the Pacific.—Associated Press.

MARSHALL VISIT

Chungking, Jan. 18. General of the Army George C. Marshall, President Truman's special envoy to China, is expected to visit Shanghai within the next few days.

It will be his first trip outside Chungking since his arrival here on Dec. 22.—Associated Press.

Condemned G.I. Writes To His Girl Friend

Wellington, N.Z., Jan. 18. Pvt. Joseph Hicawa wrote to his girl friend from his Oaaka stockade that he was "in a fight with a few Japs" but that he could not have murdered any because he did not have a knife.

He is under death sentence by a Military Court Martial after conviction of killing two Japanese.

The letter was disclosed by Miss Sonia Andruyk, 18, of Clifton, with whom Hicawa had been corresponding since he entered the army in June 1943.

The letter was written on Dec. 15, evidently before the Court Martial and received at Christmas but the girl delayed revealing the contents because she did not want to upset the family.

The letter read: "I am in a stockade. They think I murdered a couple of Japs. I had a fight with a few of them the night of the murder so they got the impression I murdered them. They were stabbed to death. That leaves me out right there for I didn't have any knife. When they told me I murdered the Japs I got excited. I didn't think I hit them that hard. They were still moaning and moving when I left them."

"I guess they have to blame somebody so guess I am the loser. I was planning being home by Christmas surprising you but guess will have to wait about twenty or thirty years. Well, so long for a while. Keep your chin up and fingers crossed. Love Joe"—Associated Press.

P. I. RELIEF

Washington, Jan. 18. A comprehensive programme for relief and rehabilitation of the Philippines was amplified today by Supreme Court Justice Frank Murphy, former Governor-General of the Islands and Chairman of the Philippine Relief Committee.

He said the agency's efforts will be centred on mobile health relief units operating principally on Luzon. He added that besides medical supplies, the agency will send the islands milk, vitamins and other materials needed for the care of patients and treatment of malnutrition cases.

The programme involves the care of 100,000 people, 400,000 of whom are estimated to be suffering from malnutrition. The programme will involve the care of 100,000 people, 400,000 of whom are estimated to be suffering from malnutrition.

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DASH TO ESCAPE DEATH

Brisbane, Aust., Jan. 18. Eight-week-old Cherylene Helen Robinson, daughter of an American sailor and an Australian mother, will begin today an 8,000-mile aerial dash to the United States for medical treatment which it is hoped will save her life.

Failure of the baby's fontanelle opening at the crown of the head to close normally will lead her to death within 60 days unless American specialists can be reached, doctors said.—Associated Press.

Localised Clashes

CHUNGKING, JAN. 18. VARIOUS CLASHES WHICH HAVE OCCURRED SINCE LAST SUNDAY MIDNIGHT, THE DEADLINE FOR THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES, AND WHICH RESULTED IN VIOLATIONS OF THE TRUCE AGREEMENT, HAVE BEEN LOCALISED. IT WAS REPORTED TO DAY.

It is confidently expected in Chungking these clashes will die down one by one.

Many a once active front is now quiet. Reports are reaching here that operations have ceased in different localities.

Nevertheless, the fact that clashes are still occurring appears to have caused some concern to both the Nationalist and Communist authorities though neither expect them to continue for long.

It is believed that in some cases local commanders are finding the cease fire orders unpalatable to take and have acted on their own responsibility and when asked to account for their action will plead that the orders did not reach them.—Associated Press.

French "Rights" In China

San Francisco, Jan. 18. The San Francisco "Chronicle" editorialising on the question of French relinquishment of extraterritorial rights in Shanghai commented: "The Chinese have emerged from eight years of forcible occupation with a hard-won instinct for national integrity. They are hardly likely to tolerate foreign jurisdictions on their soil, especially when other powers agreed to give up such special prerogatives."

The issue arose recently when the French asked an alleged collaborator of French nationality in Shanghai and justified the action on the grounds that France never had surrendered her extraterritorial privileges.—Associated Press.

Death For Nazis French Demand

Nuernberg, Jan. 18. France today bluntly demanded the death penalty for 22 Nazi leaders in the name of justice and as the first lesson in re-educating the "Nazi intoxicated" German people. It was the first time that the allied war crimes prosecution had called directly for the supreme penalty for the defendants.

Francis de Menthon, former French resistance leader, opened the French case before the International Tribunal today with the assertion that unless Nazi Germany was declared guilty and her rulers made to pay with their lives, "nations would have no faith in justice."

One of the biggest crowds since the trials opened packed the courtroom as the Chief Prosecutor for the French declared that diplomatic manoeuvring alone could not assure peace.—Associated Press.

TOKYO BAY CEREMONY

Tokyo, Jan. 18. Admiral John Towers will turn over the command of the 6th Fleet to Vice-Admiral Frederick C. Sherman in a ceremony aboard the battleship "New Jersey" in Tokyo Bay tomorrow.

Towers will go to Washington to confer with the Chief of Naval Operations before returning as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbour on Feb. 1.—Associated Press.

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ANGLO-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS

Not As Good As They Might Be

Vyshinsky Fails To Appear

London, Jan. 18. The whereabouts of the chief Soviet delegate to the United Nations Organisation, M. Andrei Vyshinsky, are still not known.

M. Vyshinsky who is the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, does not appear to have left Moscow yet and the latest forecast for his arrival here is Saturday.

In his absence, M. Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Ambassador in Washington, will today address the United Nations Organisation from the General Assembly when it resumes the debate on the report of the Preparatory Commission.

The problems of Persia and the territorial claims against Turkey have so far remained outside the General Assembly debate in the Executive Committee of the U.N.O. Mr. Gladwyn Jebb, British representative, has so far not received any proposal from the Persian delegation to raise their Azerbaijan question either in the Assembly or in the Security Council. (Reuter)

Uncle Sam Not Good Salesman

Washington, Jan. 18. Some fourteen million dollars worth of United States war surplus are going begging for buyers today, around the globe. Even when Uncle Sam succeeds in turning up potential customers, they lack dollars.

It is estimated that only one per cent has yet been sold.

Chester B. Egan, Deputy Commissioner of the Office of Foreign Disposal, operating under the War Relocation Authority, said the United States probably will have to take what she can get from nations where unused war goods are located.

"It is pretty difficult to sell a dump of surplus goods located on a small island in the Pacific or only accessible by a few miles away," he told a special Senate Sub-Committee studying the problem. Associated Press.

LITTLE DEMAND

Berlin, Jan. 18. The special three-power naval commission has reached an agreement on the disposal of ships and other equipment of the German Navy and merchant fleet a reliable source is said today.

Announcement of the terms is expected to be made in Washington, Moscow and London shortly.

It was understood that for a few ships to be used in experiments by the United States there was little demand for German war vessels, due to differences in construction and gun calibres. Associated Press.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S TRIP

London, Jan. 18. Mr. George Hall, British Secretary of State for the Colonies, left Britain by air today for the African Gold Coast where he is to preside over the first meeting of the newly constituted West African Council.

He is accompanied by his Parliamentary private secretary, Flight-Lieutenant Crawley, his private secretary, Mr. Melville and by his surgeon, Lieutenant-Commander W. G. L. Hall of the Royal Navy. Reuter.

ARGONAUT AT KURE

Yokohama, Jan. 18. Captain J. W. Grant, of the Royal Navy, today announced that the cruiser H.M.S. Argonaut flying the flag of the task force Commander, Rear-Admiral J. R. Archer, will leave Yokohama on Jan. 19 to visit Kure and Shimizu, returning to Yokohama on Jan. 23.

Commander J. A. Collins in H.M.S. Hobart will carry out the duties of Senior British Naval Officer afloat during the absence of Admiral Archer. Associated Press.

TO FIND OUT FIRST

Melbourne, Jan. 18. Eighty British Indian seamen have arrived at Melbourne from Colombo in the motorship "Chippewah" to man Dutch ships at present without crews at Brisbane and Sydney.

The head man of the party said that they would not man Dutch ships until they knew what the Indonesian strike in Brisbane and Sydney was about, according to the Dutch news agency. Reuter.

Suspicious On Both Sides

(By Hubert Harrison).

BELGRADE, JAN. 18. RELATIONS BETWEEN BRITAIN AND YUGOSLAVIA, ALTHOUGH IMPROVING, ARE NOTHING LIKE SO GOOD AS THEY COULD BE. REASONS FOR THE DETERIORATION IN A CORDIALITY WHICH MADE THE TWO COUNTRIES ALLIES IN BOTH WORLD WARS AND WHICH MARKED RELATIONS WITH THE LIBERATION MOVEMENT NOW IS POWER IN YUGOSLAVIA, ARE NOT FAR TO SEEK.

BRITISH INTERESTS IN GREECE, IN TRIESTE AND IN CARINTHIA TO SUSPICION OF BRITISH INTENTIONS IN THE BALKANS AND THE SUSPICIONS HERE NOT LESSENED BY THE LONG CAMPAIGN OF TRUST AND LIBEL IN CERTAIN BRITISH CONSERVATIVE NEWSPAPERS.

On the other hand, British officials in Yugoslavia were adversely affected by the hostility and suspicion with which they were all treated and by acts of petty spite on the part of some lower officials of the police.

Now the elections have shown that even with due advance for a rather one-sided election campaign, and for one who claims that many people voted for the government out of fear, the People's Front has undoubtedly got a majority of the people of Yugoslavia behind it.

Yugoslav officials, on the other hand, are also of opinion that visits such as that of the party of Members of Parliament who came to Yugoslavia during the elections can do much good. This visit, which showed the Yugoslav people, they say, that all British people are not imperialist and interventionist, has done much to break down the atmosphere of distrust which existed before.

On one point, Yugoslav officials are very emphatic: that there can be no doubt whatever that Yugoslavia is keen that relations with Great Britain should become normal as soon as possible and should resume their traditional cordiality. Reuter.

CHURCHILL TESTIMONY PROPOSAL

Washington, Jan. 18. Democrats today expressed the opinion that the Pearl Harbor Investigating Committee should likely to reject the proposal to call Mr. Winston Churchill to testify. They indicated they did not like the idea of a citizen of another country being invited to discuss the conversations he might have had with the late President Roosevelt.

FRANCE AND SPAIN

Paris, Jan. 18. The French Constituent Assembly today voted in favour of the movement led by the Spanish Republican Government. The vote was unanimous despite the earlier declaration by Foreign Minister Georges Bidault that France would not act alone against Spain.

France had proposed to the United States and Britain re-examination of their diplomatic relations with Spain. Earlier the government had agreed to the United States, Russian and British proposals for a European Peace Conference in Paris in May. Associated Press.

COMMUNIST WOUNDED

Athens, Jan. 18. M. Georges Zervos, former minister in the Cabinet of Georges Papandreu and member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, was wounded yesterday at Corinth in Peloponnesus when he was about to address a crowd.

The incident is attributed to the agents of the Khl Khl (right-wing) organization by the Communist Party and the E.A.M. (National resistance front). Reuter.

JAPS TO DIE

Sydney, Jan. 18. Dispatches to the "Sydney Sun" today said the Australian War Crimes Court at Labuan Island today imposed the death sentence on 28 Japanese war criminals. Twenty-nine other Japanese war criminals have been sentenced to long prison terms. Eight were acquitted. Associated Press.

Armenian Demands

BULFET, JAN. 18. The Armenian National Council in Syria and Lebanon today cabled to the President of the United Nations Organisation General Assembly, Dr. Paul Spaulding, saying: "In the name of 200,000 Armenian refugees in both countries we demand the return to Soviet Russia of Armenian territories seized by the Turks."

The cable said that 250,000 Armenians in the Red Army and tens of thousands in other Allied forces fought for the abolition of oppression and the assurance of permanent peace. It expressed confidence that the U.N.O. Assembly would bring about a just solution of the Armenian-Turkish conflict.

Armenia, together with Georgia, formed the Caucasian boundary between the Soviet Union and Turkey which was altered in favour of Turkey by the Treaty of Kars in 1921. Many statements claiming the return of the provinces of Kars and Ardahan to the Soviet Union have been made recently, but the Turkish Premier has stated that the provinces voted in favour of Turkey in a plebiscite during the last war. Reuter.

Withheld P.W.'s Food

Yokohama, Jan. 18. Lieut. Col. Shigeo Emoto, Over-all Commander of the prison camps near Hokkaido, today testified he heard a high Japanese officer order Kaichi Hirata, now on trial for responsibility of four allied deaths in Muroan prison camp, to withhold food from the prisoners in the guardhouse in order to "make their punishment more effective."

He said that he and Hirata, Muroan camp Commander, had no alternative but to obey. He added that one day was the longest period in which food was ever withheld.

Emoto said before he took command of the Hokkaido camps he was told by a high-ranking authority in Tokyo, "not to lose P.O.W.'s because too many had died all over Japan and it was giving rise to propaganda in America that prisoners of war were not well treated by Japan and led to British and American misrepresentation of Japan."

Emoto who is being held in Surama prison said Hirata "followed my instructions" to stop the beatings. Associated Press.

Cease Fire Order By Air

Peiping, Jan. 18. Three "Cease Fire" teams were today flown to vital points in North China and Manchuria in an effort to forestall further violence after two conferences of the truce commissioners.

They were dispatched to Chihfeng, northern Jehol, Changteh, capital of Jehol, and Tsinan, in Shantung province. The teams will meet the commanders of the opposing Communist and Government forces, investigate conditions and report back. Five other teams are being assembled.

There were still unconfirmed reports of violations of the "cease fire" order which United States marine planes have been scattering over the affected areas. Associated Press.

CHINESE CONSUL'S EXECUTION

Manila, Jan. 18. A Japanese lieutenant, Junjo Matsuo, today admitted he gave the signal for the shooting of Dr. Clarence Kwangson Young, who was Chinese Consul in Manila. Matsuo said a full report on the incident was made to Lieut. General Masaharu Homma who is being tried here as a war criminal.

Matsuo said "I was sentenced to death for refusing to execute \$25,000,000 from the Manila Chinese community. Associated Press.

OFFICERS' MURDER

Bad Toils, Jan. 18. United States Army Intelligence Headquarters today said no American officers were implicated in the mystery murder of three American officers whose dead bodies were found buried at Camp Magsaysay, Manila, last month. The bodies were found by a General Magsaysay, by the General Headquarters, and by the General Headquarters. Associated Press.

Round-Up

Cairo, Jan. 18. The Egyptian Police have arrested seven young Egyptians who planned the assassination of all prominent Egyptians with pro-British sympathies, it was announced today.

The gang kept a black-list of potential victims who included Sir Thomas Russell, better known as Russell Pasha, the Commandant of the Cairo Police Force and head of the Anti-Narcotic Bureau. Reuter.

Governor's Grim Ride In Hearse

London, Jan. 18. Sir Shenton Thomas, who was Governor when Singapore fell, told the Overseas League in London today how the Japanese treated him as a prisoner for three years but him inside a Chinese hearse with a man dead from malaria for company.

He also said that Lady Thomas, cousin of Field Marshal Montgomery who was also in a prison for some time used to exchange notes with him in secret past the Japanese guards. A woman missionary, who was working in the office of the prison camp, used to take her knitting with her and would hide the notes in a ball of wool.

"I have served in the Empire for 36 years," he said, "and I am quite sure that it is the greatest thing that civilization has ever seen. We make mistakes, but on the whole we try to do our best, and we do give people in the Empire freedom, a chance to live their own lives and justice."

"I think the way in which the Empire has reacted in this war is a vindication of British Imperial policy. But we have to make up our minds that if we are to keep the Empire we have got to pay for it. We have to have a strong defence of the Empire. It is worth it. If we don't, the Empire will go one day, and we shall be destroyed. If we had only sent a little more money in the early years, Malaya would never have fallen, and perhaps there would have been no war at all." Reuter.

Doctors For China

Shanghai, Jan. 18. Over 1,000 doctors will be despatched by the United Nations to various parts of China in order to aid her in medical and sanitation services, according to the "North-China Daily News," local British-owned daily.

All highly specialised experts with advanced medical knowledge and training—these physicians are chiefly from the United States and Australia, the paper states.

Some of these specialists have already reached Chungking via Calcutta.

They will be engaged in training Chinese medical practitioners, as well as helping in the organisation of hospitals and clinics.

They will act in close co-operation with the Central Government's health authorities, and the Executive Yuan of China, in extending the scope of medical and sanitary undertakings promoted by the China National Relief and Rehabilitation Association. Reuter.

Warships For China

Chungking, Jan. 18. Chinese authorities in Nanking today announced that 21 warships are being turned over to China by the United States and Great Britain, eight by the former and 13 by the latter.

The warships include 7,000-ton cruisers and two submarines.

With the assistance of the United States Navy the Chinese plan to train 500 officers and 8,000 men at Tainan, Shantung, in the next 15 months in ten separate six-week courses.

Chinese authorities expect to complete by the end of this month the taking over of Japanese warships in China waters. These, however, are obsolete. Associated Press.

Tokyo, Jan. 18. Coal production goals as set by the Japanese Government for the first three months of 1946 are far below the industry's actual capacity, says a preliminary report being made for General Headquarters by the General Headquarters. Associated Press.

Dutch Win Battle Of The Dykes

Amsterdam, Jan. 18.

Hardworking Dutch engineers, farmers and labourers have just about won the battle to repair the blasted dykes and reclaim the war-flooded lands of Walcheren Island.

The night-and-day labour was complicated by storms which at times tore holes again in newly rebuilt dykes.

Of the Island's 47,000 acres, about 40,000 at one time were under water after R.A.F. bombardments.

The plugging of dykes has dried all but about 5,000 acres of that land.

Farm experts estimate it will be six years before the orchards and farmlands of what was once called "the garden of the Netherlands" again will be fertile. In addition, the combination of military operations and flooding have destroyed 2,100 houses, damaged 4,200 severely and moderately damaged 6,200.

SHRIMPS IN HOUSES. There was a layer of dirt over all of Walcheren and in the cellars and first floors of houses the mud often was two feet deep. Shrimps scurried about the floors. Two Middleburg canals have been left full of fish as waters elsewhere receded.

Reconstruction teams are already busy clearing and rebuilding roads in the dried areas.

Dyke gaps varied in size from 115 feet wide for one near Flushing to 3,000 feet wide for one at Veere, while the depth of the sea at blasted points ranged up to 80 feet. Associated Press.

No Dice

Honolulu, Jan. 18. Lieut. General Robert C. Richardson, Commander of the Mid-Pacific Army, today issued an order banning all gambling at the Oahu Army personnel centre. The action came after the Army publication "Stars and Stripes" reported that small groups of soldiers were "making a small fortune at dice at the expense of the stateside bound G.I."

Colonel William Saffarans, centre commander, said, however, that the games were "organised" as "Stars and Stripes" reported. There were dice tables provided for the men at the centre and gambling was authorised but it is not true the games were single. The Colonel asserted the men formerly had gambled in barracks and other places.

"Stars and Stripes" said about 15 men took a share of all the money passing across the dice tables. Associated Press.

COURT-MARTIAL FOR AGITATORS

Honolulu, Jan. 18. Lieut. General Richardson yesterday ordered court-martial for any soldier in his Mid-Pacific Command who continues agitation on the demobilisation programme. Three enlisted men have been confined to their quarters pending an investigation.

Colonel Wilson Gaddis, Public Relations Officer, said no charges have been placed against the trio. Two have been active in demonstrations against the demobilisation slow-down.

Richardson gave his court-martial orders in a directive to his commanders. Associated Press.

IKE CHEERED

Frankfurt, Jan. 18. American soldiers in this area today cheered the statement by General Eisenhower on U.S. demobilisation plans. Brig-General George Eyster, redeployment chief for the U.S. Forces in the European theatre, said the demobilisation speed up means the occupation of Germany will not be so effective. Transportation, communications and medical services will be hard hit, Eyster said. Associated Press.

GREATEST EVER

New York, Jan. 18. William Foster, Chairman of the American Communist Party today said the current American labour activity "may develop into the greatest strike movement in United States history."

Foster declared "there is now in the making either a great victory or a serious defeat for the workers." Associated Press.

London, Jan. 18. The British News Service today announced that the Nuremberg trial of Nazi leaders is expected to end in about five months. Reuter.

MacArthur Not Taking Sides

Tokyo, Jan. 18. The newspaper "Asei" today said a spokesman of Allied Headquarters told a Japanese press conference that the occupation authorities neither supported nor opposed any special political party or faction.

The statement was made in response to a Japanese question that "it seems the policy of headquarters is to oppose the already made parties and to support the Communist Party."

The paper said the spokesman replied it was merely a coincidence that the recent purge primarily affected more conservative parties while affecting three or four so-called liberals and probably none of the social democratic or Communist.

The Japanese people have been given freedom by Allied headquarters to choose their own political parties and leaders," the spokesman said, adding "the only requirement is that these parties are to be democratic."

Meanwhile the Communists in a statement declared they would continue efforts to form a united front despite the decision of social democrats yesterday to avoid liaison for the present. Associated Press.

U.N.O. Security Council

London, Jan. 18. The United Nations Security Council, proposed as the custodian of the world's armaments and atom bomb factories, was today formally organised for the task of preserving peace and using force, if necessary.

The 11-nation Council was constituted around a "good-luck" horseshoe table in the Church House of Westminster and its members declared that upon the Council primarily rested the world's hope for lasting peace.

Near the table sat the Iranian delegate Nasrullah Entezam, whose country may appeal to the Council for aid in settling her dispute with Russia over political conditions in northern Iran.

Next on the Council agenda was the recommendation of a candidate to the General Assembly for the position of U.N.O. Secretary-General. Lester Pearson, Canadian Ambassador to the United States, has been prominently mentioned for the post. Associated Press.

Chungking, Jan. 18. The new French Ambassador to China, M. Jacques Meyrier, today presented his credentials to President Chiang Kai-shek. Associated Press.

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